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SENATE SIMPLE RESOLUTION DRSR35000-MC-3 (12/21)

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Sponsors: Senator Tucker (Primary Sponsor).

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1 A SENATE RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE PERMANENT RULES OF THE SENATE FOR  
2 THE 2016 FIFTH EXTRA SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

3 Be it resolved by the Senate:

4 **SECTION 1.** The permanent rules of the 2015 Regular Session, with the following  
5 amendments, are the rules governing the 2016 Fifth Extra Session of the General Assembly:

6 **RULE 31.1. Action by vice-chair.** – The vice-chair of any committee may act as the  
7 chair of that committee in the event of a vacancy in the chairmanship until the vacancy is filled by  
8 appointment by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate.

9 **RULE 32.1. Composition of committees.** – All committees shall be comprised of the  
10 members who were appointed to those committees during the 2015 Regular Session.

11 **RULE 40. Introduction of bills.** – Every bill introduced shall contain on the Senate  
12 e-jacket the title of the document and the name of the Senator or Senators presenting it. The  
13 Principal Clerk of the Senate shall receive, number, and present each bill to the Senate for first  
14 reading on the day it is filed.

15 **RULE 40.1. Limitation on introduction and consideration of resolutions.** – The  
16 only resolutions that may be introduced or considered in the Senate are resolutions establishing the  
17 rules governing the Fifth Extra Session and adjourning the Fifth Extra Session sine die.

18 **RULE 40.2. Deadlines for filing for introduction of bills.** – Bills may be filed for  
19 introduction any time during which the Senate is in session.

20 **RULE 41.** (Reserved).

21 **RULE 43. First reading; reference to committee.** – All bills introduced and all House  
22 bills received upon a message from the House of Representatives, upon presentation to the Senate,  
23 shall be read in the regular order of business by their number and title which shall constitute the  
24 first reading of the bill on the day on which they are received. Pursuant solely to the discretion of  
25 the Chair of the Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate or the President Pro Tempore,  
26 any bill introduced in the Senate or received from the House of Representatives may be, but is not  
27 required to be, referred to a Senate committee, or, alternatively, the bill may be placed before the  
28 Senate for further readings. Upon the referral being made, the Chair of the Committee on Rules  
29 and Operations of the Senate shall notify the Principal Clerk of the Senate of the referral, and the  
30 Reading Clerk shall announce the referral of the bill. The Principal Clerk shall inform the  
31 Presiding Officer of the referral. The title and referral shall be entered upon the Journal. Bills may  
32 be referred to more than one committee serially.

33 **RULE 43.1. Second reading.** – All bills reported by committee shall be placed before  
34 the Senate for second reading and immediate consideration upon passage.

35 **RULE 45.1. Action on amendment or committee substitute.** – If any committee  
36 recommends adoption of an amendment or committee substitute of a bill or resolution, the  
37 amendment or committee substitute shall be considered adopted upon the reading of the



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1 committee report. The bill or resolution, as amended, or its adopted committee substitute may be  
2 placed on the calendar for the same legislative day or re-referred if the bill or resolution was  
3 serially referred. The committee substitute's original bill or resolution shall lie on the table.

4 **RULE 50. Third reading requirements.** – When a bill or resolution has passed its  
5 second reading, it shall be placed on the calendar for immediate consideration on its third reading,  
6 unless prohibited by Section 23 of Article II of the North Carolina Constitution.

7 **RULE 56.1. Amendments and committee substitutes adopted by the House to bills**  
8 **originating in the Senate.** – (a) Whenever the House has adopted an amendment or a committee  
9 substitute for a bill originating in the Senate and has returned the bill to the Senate for concurrence  
10 in that amendment or committee substitute, the Senate may concur in that amendment or  
11 committee substitute on the same legislative day.

12 **RULE 59.** (Reserved).

13 **SECTION 2.** This resolution is effective upon adoption.